

# KFOR 12 MNBG-E Training - February



“People with different cultural, ethnic and religious backgrounds can work and learn together,”  
Brig. Gen. Al Dohrmann, commander,  
Multi-National Battle Group-East.



Brig. Gen. Alan Dohrmann, Bismarck, N.D., commander of Multi National Battle Group – East, shakes hands with Maj. David Craig, Lake Forest, Calif., an operations officer with the 1-144<sup>th</sup> Maneuver Task Force, during the general's visit to Camp Nothing Hill, Kosovo on Jan. 28. Photo by Spc. Drew Balstad



Cpl. Rafael Cervantes, Jr., Anaheim, Calif.; Spc. Palomares M. Perez, Rialto, Calif.; and Pfc. Alek B. Gearhart, Mira Loma, Calif., U.S. Soldiers with the 1-144th Maneuver Task Force, Multi-National Battle Group-East, lower the American flag during a hand over of responsibility ceremony Feb. 1 at Camp Nothing Hill, Kosovo. The American forces handed over security responsibilities at the camp to the Italians.

Photo by Capt. Richard Szabo



Lt. Col. John Elzie, Olive Branch, Miss., Task Force MED Falcon, addresses a gathering of Multi-National Battle Group-East Soldiers at a Black History Month celebration held Feb. 5 at Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo.  
Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson





Maj. Gen. David A. Sprynczaynatyk, Adjutant General, North Dakota Army National Guard, visits with Brig. Gen. Renaldo Rivera, Adjutant General, Virgin Islands National Guard, during a lunch in Gnjilane/Gjilan, Kosovo. Sprynczaynatyk and Rivera both visited their Soldiers deployed to Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo for a Kosovo Forces (KFOR) 12 deployment.

Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer



Sgt. 1st Class Lenroy Harry, 661st Military Police Co., talks with Brig. Gen. Renaldo Rivera, the adjutant general of the Virgin Islands National Guard, about day-to-day operations of the 661st during a tour of the MP offices. About 100 Soldiers from the Virgin Islands are deployed to Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo, as part of Kosovo Forces (KFOR) 12 Multi-National Battle Group-East.  
Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson



North Dakota Gov. John Hoeven chats with North Dakota National Guard Soldiers at Camp Bondsteel , Kosovo, during a breakfast meeting on Feb. 4. Hoeven and Maj. Gen. David A. Sprynczynatyk, adjutant general, North Dakota Army National Guard, visited Camp Bondsteel in early February.

Photo by Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Michael Hagburg



Gov. John Hoeven, governor, North Dakota, Maj. Gen. David A. Sprynczynatyk, adjutant general, North Dakota National Guard, and Lt. Col. Lee Nordin, Grand Forks, N.D., battalion commander, 231st Maneuver Task Force, visit a memorial site overlooking Gnjilane/Gjilan, Kosovo. Hoeven and Sprynczynatyk both visited N.D. Soldiers deployed to Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo for a Kosovo Forces (KFOR) 12 deployment.

Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer





Members of Bravo Company and Headquarters Support Company, 142nd Engineers Combat Battalion who were deployed to Kosovo in 2000 stand for a reunion photos recently at Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo, a camp they helped construct. They are (left to right) Sgt. James L. Dammen, Bismarck, N.D.; Sgt. 1st Class Lori D. Johnson-Chambers, Moorhead, Minn.; Staff Sgt. John W. Seedorf, Bismarck, N.D.; Capt. Mark L. Topp, Fargo, N.D.; Sgt. 1st Class Seth Mankowski (an active Army Soldier at the time, now with North Dakota National Guard's 231st Maneuver Task Force), Horace, N.D.; Staff Sgt. Jerald L. Qualley, Detroit Lakes, Minn.; Staff Sgt. Eric B. Hetland, Bismarck, N.D.; Capt. Jim E. Lindeman, Fargo, N.D.; Sgt. Jerry L. Schmidt, Rothsay, Minn.; Maj. Jim R. Olson, West Fargo, N.D.; Master Sgt. Scott J. Brewer, Dilworth, Minn.; Spc. Jessie J. Schuler, Wahpeton, N.D.; Capt. Shane P. Clennon, West Fargo, N.D.; and Sgt. 1st Class Dale L. Seibel, Fargo, N.D. Not pictured is Staff Sgt. Austin J. Gordon, Valley City, N.D.  
Photo by Spc. Joshua Dodds



Spc. Ivan Nychyporuk records information from Lt. Col. Konyk of the Ukrainian Army during a recent patrol through the Kosovo municipality of Shtrepce/Strpce. Nychyporuk immigrated to the United States from Ukraine, with his wife and son, in 2006. He learned English in a few months, joined the North Dakota Army National Guard and now serves as a member of Liaison and Monitoring Team for Multi-National Battle Group-East in Kosovo.

Photo by Sgt. Kylie Ktytor





Commander of Kosovo Forces Lt. Gen.  
Markus Bentler, of the German Army  
presents a special commander's coin to 1st  
Lt. Cory Schumacher, Fargo, N.D., with the  
Multi-National Battle Group-East's Liaison  
and Monitoring Team in Viti/Vitina, Kosovo.

Photo by Sgt. Jesica Geffre



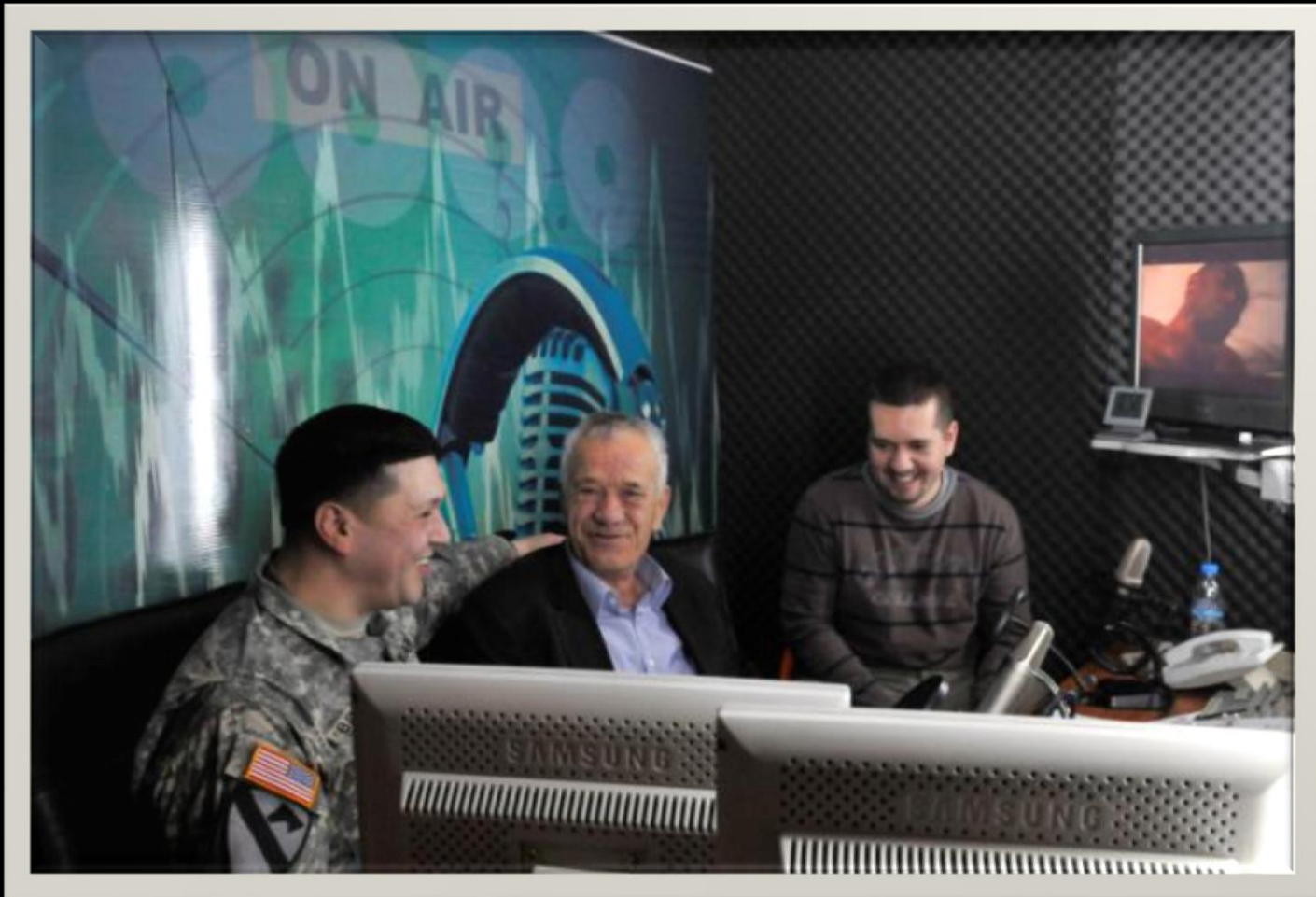


Spc. Shane Spieker and Spc. Bernard Fischer, both of West Fargo, N.D., and members of the 231st Maneuver Task Force, discuss their shot groups after sighting in their M4 rifles on the range at Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo, during the Kosovo Forces 12 peacekeeping mission.

Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer



Members of the 231st Maneuver Task Force, sight-in their M4 rifles on the range at Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo, during the Kosovo Forces 12 peacekeeping mission.  
Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer



Spc. Jeffrey W. Barnhill, Covina, Calif., a radio DJ with Civil Affairs, along with an interpreter, Fisnik (Nick) Quni, interviews Professor Daut Demaku, vice president of the independent media commission, during a KFOR radio show at TV FEMA in Ferizaj/Urosevac, Kosovo.

Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer





Multi-national member of KFOR military police gather together during a monthly Provost Marshall meeting in Vushtri/Vucitrn, Kosovo and are given a tour of the Kosovo Police Academy.

Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer





A rioter from the 1-144th Maneuver Task Force gets taken to the ground to be detained by members of the KFOR Tactical Maneuver Battalion (KTM), during a riot control exercise on Feb. 18.

Photo by Spc. Drew Balstad

Students of Musa Zamji in Gjilan/Gnjilane, Kosovo, perform a traditional Albanian dance for KFOR Soldiers of Multi-National Battle Group-East. The students took the stage for Soldiers of the 231<sup>st</sup> Maneuver Task Force as a gesture of thanks for all that the Soldiers had done for the school over the years.

Photo by Spc. Joshua Dodds





Master Sgt. John T. Waters, Emerado, N.D.; Capt. Brock Larson, Fort Ransom, N.D.; Mejreme Berisha, a teacher at the Musa Zamji school and Sami Hoxha, Musa Zamji school director, pose with four students from Musa Zamji school in Gjilan/Gnjilane, Kosovo, after a performance organized to thank KFOR Soldiers for all that they have done for the school over the years.

Photo by Spc. Joshua Dodds





Chaplain Maj. Maury Millican, Bismarck, N.D., visits with an interpreter at the “Church of Black Madonna” in Letnica/Letnice, Kosovo, during the International Gathering of Chaplains day.

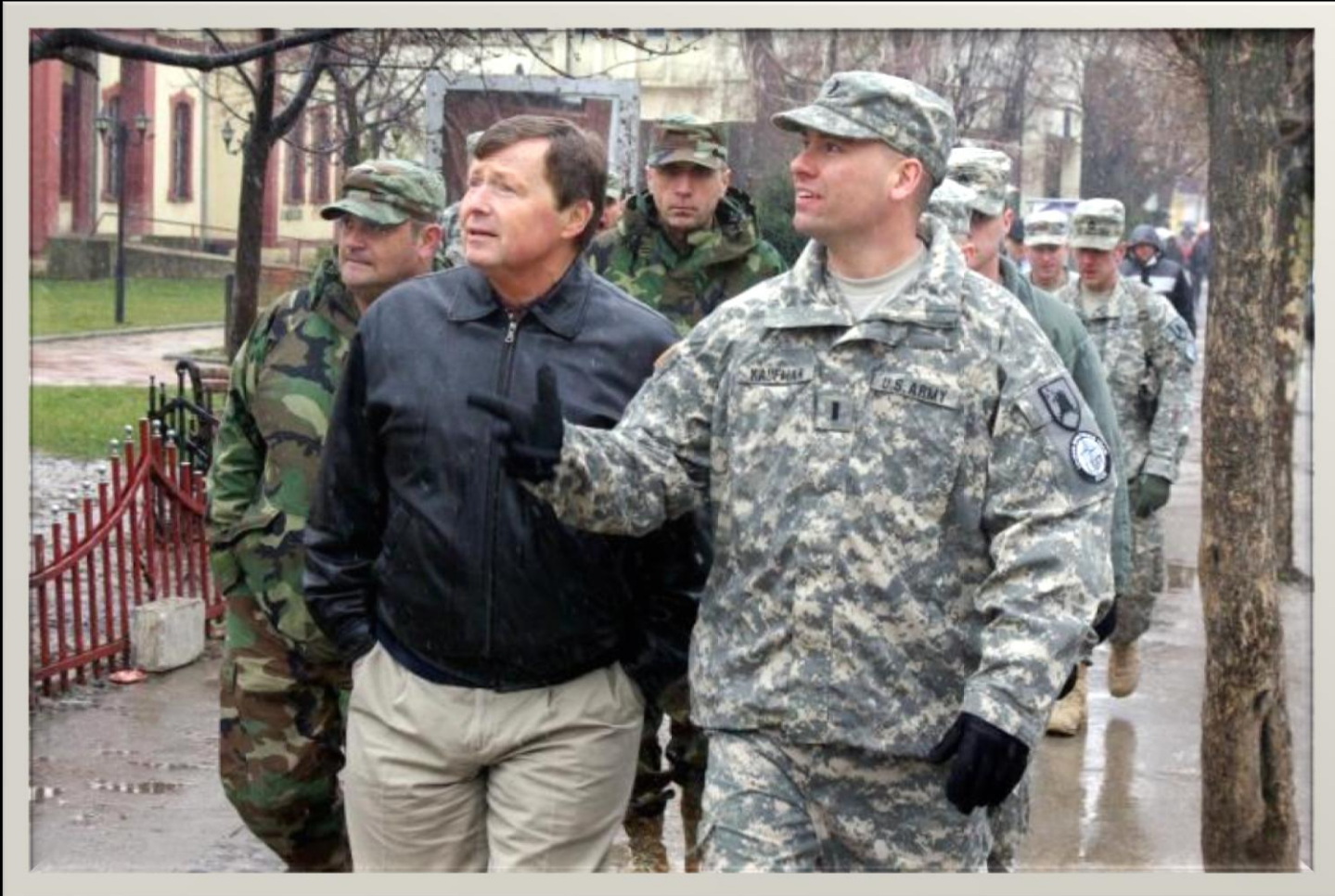
Photo by Sgt. Jordan Huwe





Chaplain (Capt.) Timothy Meier, Los Altos, Calif., and German Chaplain Matthias Ebinger read scripture together during a prayer service on Feb. 19 at the South Town Chapel on Camp Bondsteel, during the International Gathering of Chaplains day.

Photo by Sgt. Jordan Huwe



1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Ryan R. Kaufman, Bismarck, N.D., of the Regional Liaison Monitoring Team, shows North Dakota Representative Earl Pomeroy around Ferizaj/Urosevac, Kosovo, on Feb. 21.

Photo by Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Michael Hagburg



North Dakota Representative Earl Pomeroy chats with Staff Sgt. Jesse H. Walstad, Bismarck, N.D., of the Regional Liaison Monitoring Team during a visit to Brezovica, Kosovo, on Feb. 21, while the RLMT commander, Maj. Robert M. Fugere, Grand Forks, N.D., listens in.

Photo by Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Michael Hagburg





A player from the women's basketball team from Ferizaj/Urosevac, Kosovo, lines up for a free throw during a friendly game against a group of Camp Bondsteel women on Feb. 21.

Photo by Spc. Drew Balstad





Bravo Co., 231<sup>st</sup> Maneuver Task Force lines the road at Camp Bondsteel to pay final respects to Sgt. Terry L. Rishling as his procession travels to the airport in Pristina, Kosovo.

Photo by Spc. Leah Stoner

This presentation is dedicated  
to the memory of Sgt. Terry L.  
Rishling, 1971-2010.



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